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SUBJECT: VISIT OF SULTAN TO US

REF: LONDON 16655

1. REGARDING NUMBER IN SULTAN'S PARTY, BEST INFO WE HAVE IS BETWEEN 8 AND 12 PERSONS, AS REPORTED TO DEPT EARLIER. BUT EVEN THIS ESTIMATE BASED ON EARLY GUESSWORK BY FONMIN ZAWAWI. AS TO COMPOSITION PARTY, ONLY INDIVIDUALS WE ARE CERTAIN OF ARE SULTAN'S UNCLE TARIK BIN TAIMUR, ZAWAWI AND LONDON. ALSO, SULTAN'S ADC MAJOR SAYYID AL-MUTASSIM HAMOUD IS KNOWN TO BE IN FAR EAST CURRENTLY EN ROUTE TO US PERHAPS TO RENDEZVOUS THERE WITH PARTY.
 2. OUR CONTACTS THIS FALL ON VISIT HAVE BEEN ALMOST ENTIRELY WITH ZAWAWI WHO JOINED SULTAN IN LONDON ABOUT DEC. 14. SUGGEST HIM AS YOUR CONTACT IF AMB BUALY AND LONDON INACCESSIBLE.
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